

most admirable qualities in the American spirit. In this new century, in these difficult times, when a new generation of young Americans is taking up arms to defend our freedoms against the threat of international terrorism, let's follow the example set by Chick Matthews in the last century. In this, the one hundred and first year of Chick Matthews' life, it is an honor for me to pay tribute to his example on the floor of the United States Senate.●

#### SUPPORT ON THE COLLEGE CAMPUSES

● Mr. BOND. Mr. President, Today I rise to recognize John K. Sheridan and Christopher A. Benson from the University of Missouri-Columbia for their outstanding accomplishment as journalism students.

The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and the subsequent American response has caused a huge upsurge in American patriotism. Flags are proudly flying everywhere from balconies and lapel pins. "God Bless America" is the spontaneous song of note in arenas, ballparks, and homes. The fervor is evident in all walks of society, not the least of which is the college campus.

In my home State of Missouri, we have the world's first journalism school at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Recently, two of the top journalism students published articles in the Columbia Missourian, one calling for the reinstatement of the draft with universal service and the other criticizing Harvard University for refusing to reinstate ROTC on the Campus.

I commend John K. Sheridan and Christopher A. Benson for their thoughtful and intriguing commentary.●

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE ARCTIC RING OF LIFE AT THE DETROIT ZOO, ROYAL OAK, MI

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join me today in congratulating the Detroit Zoological Institute upon the completion of the Arctic Ring of Life. For over 75 years, the Detroit Zoo has educated and inspired millions, while promoting conservation and advancing our understanding of the natural world.

The Arctic Ring of Life is one of the cornerstones of the Celebrating Wildlife Campaign, a series of projects which also includes the National Amphibian Conservation Center, and two other structures that are yet to be built: The Ford Center for Environmental Conservation Education and a new Animal Health Complex. Continuing the renaissance which the Detroit Zoo has experienced over the past 20 years, the completion of these

projects will further solidify the Detroit Zoo's position as one of the leading zoos in the world.

Polar bears have lived at the Institute since it first opened its gates in 1928. The Arctic Ring of Life builds upon the Institute's long relationship with the bears of the North. Sprawling over 4.2 acres, this exhibit will showcase more than just polar bears. It will provide a glimpse into life above the Arctic Circle. At the entrance of the Arctic Ring of Life, visitors will be greeted by a nine-foot granite polar bear sculpture. From there, visitors will travel through an Inuit village as it appeared in the early 1900's. The exhibit also includes a display of a tundra area containing colorful grasses, wildflowers and other arctic plants. This area will also be home to snowy owls and arctic fox, two of the most common arctic animals. Visitors will then enter into the Nunavut Gallery, an indoor room containing Inuit art as well as interpretive graphics.

Beyond the gallery is the most unique part of the exhibit: a spectacular 70-foot-long passage that allows visitors to wind through a 300,000 gallon marine environment. The first of its kind in the world, the tunnel will take visitors beneath both the polar bear and seal areas. Those visitors lucky enough to be in the tunnel when the bears are in the water are able to look around and marvel at the grace of the largest land predator swimming effortlessly in the water.

After exiting the tunnel, visitors follow the edge of the glacier to the "Exploration Station." Maintaining the exhibit's goal of educating while entertaining, children and adults can have a first hand experience with the tools of the arctic scientist while at the station. The equipment in the building includes a thermal imaging station which children can use to see how heat is escaping the body, and a remote video camera which can be used to survey the exhibit. Following one last spectacular overview of the whole exhibit, visitors exit with a new and enhanced understanding of the fragile arctic region and its importance for the world.

The Zoological Institute is one of Detroit's most important cultural centers. Nevertheless, the zoo, like the city itself, has gone through periods of difficulty and turmoil. However, thanks to the dedicated work and contributions of thousands, the Detroit Zoo has prevailed. Beginning with the completion of the Great Apes of Harambee in the late 1980's, the Detroit Zoo has renovated or opened many new exhibits in the past two decades. While the Detroit Zoological Institute has long been one of the best zoos in the country, it is now undisputably one of the best in the world.

As a lifelong resident of Detroit, I am heartened to see the renovations done

to the Detroit Zoo and the opening of this new exhibit. The Detroit Zoological Institute is an important cultural institution for not only the city of Detroit, but the entire State of Michigan. I trust that my Senate colleagues will join me in congratulating the Detroit Zoo on its growth and wishing it the best in the coming years.●

#### TRIBUTE TO FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION OF HAZARD, KENTUCKY

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I rise today to applaud the extraordinary and selfless efforts of the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Hazard, Kentucky in furthering the educational development of Hazard Community College and the surrounding area of Eastern Kentucky.

In the aftermath of the attacks perpetrated on September 11, Hazard Community College found themselves at a loss for adequate funding for their newly planned building when a major philanthropist had to withdraw previously committed funds. The building was projected to be the campus' main building with plans to include a student center, bookstore, cafeteria, meeting area, economic development center for Eastern Kentucky, and a community center. Without proper funding, the project appeared to be heading for failure. However, in a Herculean display of courage and character, First Federal Savings & Loan Association, led by President and CEO Tony Whitaker, stepped in and played the heroic role.

By locally rising \$3 to \$4 million through an eleventh-hour fundraising campaign to match state and federal funds and also graciously providing a half million dollars directly from the bank, First Federal Savings & Loan was able to secure appropriate funding for the project to continue as planned.

In trying times such as these, we all can learn from the example set by Mr. Whitaker and the First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Hazard with their commitment to education and the community.●

#### CONGRATULATIONS DAN WENK, SUPERINTENDENT OF MT. RUSHMORE

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate Dan Wenk, former Superintendent of Mt. Rushmore National Memorial. Dan was recently promoted and is currently serving the National Park Service as the director of the Denver Service Center.

Dan started serving as Superintendent of Mt. Rushmore 16 years ago. Over the past 16 years, Dan has had oversight over numerous big events, including the 50th anniversary observance in 1991, which was a national observance that highlighted the